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DO NOT ENTER: /M.L./  
CODE BOOK  
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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action of March 21, 2008, in which the three-month shortened statutory period for responding thereto is extended from June 21, 2008 to September 22, 2008 (September 21, 2008 being a Sunday) by a request for a three month extension of time and payment of the appropriate extension of time fee, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.